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WEEKLY SAINT PAUL FIRE & EMS BLOTTER

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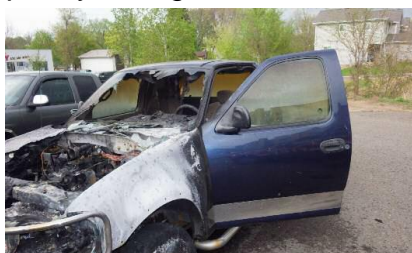
This feature we call "Fire & EMS Blotter" is a weekly update of the activities of the Saint Paul Fire Department. During the week of April 29 thru May 5, the Saint Paul Fire Department responded to 834 calls for service. Here is a **sampling** of some of the emergency and non-emergency activities from information provided by the fire department.

SMALL INCENSE STICK FIRE - On May 1 at 11:55 p.m. on the 90 block of North Lexington Parkway fire companies were dispatched to a report of an odor of smoke in a building. They arrived to find a small fire that had burned out behind an apartment door. The occupant had lit an incense stick and stuck it into the door hinge of the door and then forgot about it before she went to bed. She awoke to the smoke alarm sounding in her apartment she called 9-1-1. Damage is estimated at \$310.

STABBING - On May 2 at 10:37 a.m. on the 30 block of Winnipeg Avenue a 24 year old man had been stabbed. Paramedics treated and transported him to a nearby hospital.

UNATTENDED SMOKING MATERIAL - On May 2 at 4:23 p.m. on the 300 block of Ravoux Street fire companies were dispatched to a report of smoke in an apartment building. Upon arrival they found and extinguished a small fire. A smoldering smoking device ignited a small paper calendar on the wall above. Damage is estimated at \$1,000.

VEHICLE FIRE - On May 3 at 4:31 a.m. on the 200 block of Cesar Chavez Street fire companies were called to a report of a vehicle fire. Upon arrival they found the engine compartment of a pick-up fully involved parked behind a bar. They quickly extinguished the fire and located the vehicle owner. Damage is estimated at \$3,500.



An electrical malfunction caused \$3,500 to this vehicle.

CHILD FIRE PLAY On May 3 at 7:09 p.m. on the 160 block of George Street West fire companies were called to a report of a smoke odor in a dwelling. Upon arrival they found a small smoldering fire on the exterior of two towels. A child was playing with a lighter and ignited a kitchen towel. The child was referred to the Department's Youth Firesetting Prevention & Intervention Program. Damage is estimated at \$20.

- **For information about Fire Play Intervention for a child playing with fire, PLEASE call the fire department's Public Education Office at 651-228-6203 or 651-228-6239.**

ARSON BUILDING FIRE - On May 4 at 4:49 a.m. on the 1000 block of Arkwright Street fire companies were dispatched to a report of a commercial building fire. They arrived to find heavy fire coming from the rear door to the two-story building. No one was in the building at the time of the fire. This fire was arson. Damage is estimated at \$800,000.



An arson fire caused \$800,000 to this building.

- **Anyone with information about this fire is urged to call the ARSON HOT LINE at 1-800-725-2020. You can remain anonymous and a reward may be available.**

PEDESTRIAN STRUCK - On May 4 at 9:42 a.m. on Flandrau and Case Avenue a 58 year old man was struck by a vehicle as he walked across the street. Paramedics treated and transported him to a nearby hospital.

GUN SHOT WOUND - On May 5 at 10:47 p.m. on the 2100 block of University Avenue West a 24 year old woman had been shot. Paramedics treated and transported her to a nearby hospital.